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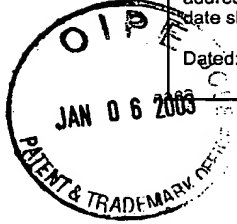
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Dennis J. Denen, et al.

Application No.: 09/966,275

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For: MINIMIZING PAPER WASTE CAROUSEL-
STYLE DISPENSER APPARATUS,
SENSOR, METHOD AND SYSTEM WITH
PROXIMITY SENSOR

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c). A copy of each reference listed on the PTO/SB/08A is attached herewith.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(3)(i), German reference DE 33 42 921 A1 (listed in the PTO/SB/08A) has been cited in U.S. Patents 6,412,679 and 6,419,136, commonly owned by the assignee of the instant application, and listed in the PTO/SB/08A. Furthermore, it has come to the undersigned's attention that French references 2 583 729 and 2 771 620 have been cited in a European search report issued in an application corresponding to U.S. patent application, Serial No. 09/435,718, entitled "Web Transfer Mechanism For Flexible Sheet Dispenser" filed November 8, 1999, owned by the assignee of the instant application.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.56, and without waiver of confidentiality, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is also directed to the following pending commonly assigned related applications of the instant application:

(1) U.S. Serial No. 09/780,733, filed on 02/09/01, entitled "Minimizing Paper Waste Carousel-Style Dispenser Apparatus, Sensor, Method and System with Proximity Sensor", inventors: Dennis J. Denen, Craig D. Yardley, Joshua M. Broehl, Robert J. Hayes, John J. Knittle, Brian K. Linstedt, Gregory J. Merz and John R. Moody (attorney docket No. 4747-124/10027023); and

(2) U.S. Serial No. 09/966,124, filed on 09/27/01, entitled "Static Build Up Control in Electronic Dispensing Systems", inventors: John R. Moody and Joshua M. Broehl (attorney docket No. 4747-124C2/10106589).

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the application specification including the claims and drawings for each of the above-referenced CIP patent applications is attached herewith.

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